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1. In December 1953 the Public Security Sub-Station at Whampoa (Huangpu, N 23-05, E 113-24) was located in an ancestral temple and was staffed by ten persons, who worked in shifts. Some, but not all, members of the staff were from the local area. The duties of the staff were to maintain population statistics and records of all arrivals and departures, to visit the homes of residents from time to time to make routine checks, and to call on all newly arrived persons.
2. Fruits, vegetables, and food in general were readily obtainable in Whampoa. The quality of cooking oil had deteriorated. The cooking oil burned the throat. Some people were using brown sugar for cooking rather than the poor quality cooking oil. It was rumored that the best quality cooking oil was traded with Soviet Russia and other countries for other goods.
3. There was a garrison force of the Chinese Communist army in Whampoa as well as a force of ten unarmed militiamen. The higher ranking members of the garrison force slept on boards covered with thin straw mats; the lower ranking members slept on the ground.
4. There were no youth organizations in Whampoa. All young boys and girls were required to attend meetings for five nights each week. At these meetings they were indoctrinated in current events, agricultural methods, grain levies, and taxes.

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